Egypt E-Alert



Egypt to Export Farming Expertise to African Neighbors

The fields along the Nile basin have supplied Egypt with an abundance of food for centuries, providing farmers with enough expertise to know how to grow the land properly. But that's not the case for many of Egypt's neighbors.

Egypt is well placed to help countries across Africa that struggle to feed their people, since it is rich in food supplies.

Poverty and food scarcity are crucial problems facing African nations, which is why leaders of the African Union met recently and approved a joint plan of action to enhance food security.

Only 4 percent of arable land in Africa and the Arab world is irrigated, leaving many countries to rely on rainfall for water. By comparison, Egypt has one of the oldest irrigation systems in the world and its vast experience has been sought out to help its African neighbors.

To view the original broadcast, please click here.

This material is distributed by Chlopak, Leonard, Schechter & Associates on behalf of the Egyptian Press and Information Office. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

2010 MAR -3 PH 1: 34

NSOVCES/REGISTRATION